

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS


Responsive to the Office Action dated August 4, 2009, Applicant hereby elects Group I corresponding to Claims 1-5 and 8-15 for further prosecution in this application and hereby withdraws Group II, corresponding to Claims 6-7, holding these claims in abeyance so that these claims may be later prosecuted in one or more divisional applications at a later date.

Applicant respectfully submits the claims as amended are in condition for formal allowance and such is courteously solicited. If any issue regarding the allowability of any of the pending claims in the present application could be readily resolved, or if other action could be taken to further advance this application such as an Examiner's amendment, or if the Examiner should have any questions regarding the present amendment, it is respectfully requested that the Examiner please telephone Applicant's undersigned attorney in this regard. Should any fees be necessitated by this response, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to deduct such fees from Deposit Account No. 11-0160.

Respectfully submitted,

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